IN THE

SUPREME COURT OF INDIANA

IN THE MATTER OF)	
THE APPOINTMENT OF A)	Case No. 89S00-0501-MS-33
JUDGE PRO TEMPORE IN)	
WAYNE CIRCUIT COURT)	

ORDER APPOINTING JUDGE PRO TEMPORE

This Court has been advised of the need for the appointment of a Judge *Pro Tempore* in the Wayne Circuit Court because the presiding judge of the that court, the Hon. Douglas H. VanMiddlesworth, has tendered his resignation, effective January 31, 2005. Accordingly, we find that in the interests of continuing the orderly administration of justice and pursuant to Ind.Trial Rule 63(B), a Judge *Pro Tempore* should be appointed to discharge temporarily the duties of that office. Further, this Court has been advised that Judge VanMiddlesworth, as a Senior Judge is willing to serve as Judge *Pro Tempore* in the Wayne Circuit Court.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Senior Judge Douglas H. VanMiddlesworth, is appointed as Judge *Pro Tempore* in the Wayne Circuit Court, effective February 1, 2005, and until such time as the Governor fills the vacancy created by the resignation, or until further order of this Court, whichever comes first. This order shall be sufficient authority for Judge VanMiddlesworth to continue the employment of court personnel and otherwise discharge the duties of Judge of the Wayne Circuit Court. Judge VanMiddlesworth shall be entitled to compensation for this service, paid by the State of Indiana, computed at the same rate as the regular judge commencing from the date of this order, pursuant to T.R. 63(D).

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a certified copy of this Order to the Clerk of the Wayne Circuit Court, who is directed to enter this Order into the Record of Judgments and Orders; to the Honorable Douglas H. VanMiddlesworth; to the Division of State Court Administration, payroll department; and to the Indiana Judicial Center.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this ____ day of January, 2005.

Randall T. Shepard

Chief Justice of Indiana

All Justices concur.